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Sec.1. CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORITY

IDEA Public Schools is governed under the governing structure described by its open-enrollment charter.

Sec.2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATIONS

a) Primary Responsibilities

The Board of Directors of IDEA Public Schools (the "Board") has the primary responsibility for:

- (1) Implementing the public school program authorized by the IDEA Public Schools openenrollment charter; and
- (2) Ensuring the performance of students enrolled in IDEA in accordance with the Texas Education Code.

19 Tex. Admin. Code § 100.1101(a).

b) Alienation of Open-Enrollment Charter

The Board derives its authority to operate IDEA Public Schools from its open-enrollment charter with the State of Texas. In accordance with state law:

- (1) The Board shall, acting as a body corporate in meetings posted in compliance with Government Code, Chapter 551, oversee the management of all IDEA Public Schools charter schools.
- (2) Except as provided below, the Board's powers and duties to operate IDEA Public Schools charter schools shall not be delegated, transferred, assigned, encumbered, pledged, subcontracted, or in any way alienated by the Board.
- (3) IDEA Public Schools shall notify the Texas Education Agency in writing prior to initiating bankruptcy proceeding respecting the charter holder.
- (4) Exclusive Method for Delegating Charter Powers and Duties. Any power or duty of the Board delegated to an officer, employee, contractor, management company, creditor, or any other person shall either be specified in the IDEA Public Schools open-enrollment charter or a charter delegation amendment approved by the Texas Education Agency division responsible for charter schools.

19 Tex. Admin. Code § 100.1101(b)-(c).

c) Accountability for Delegated Powers and Duties

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The Board remains responsible for the management, operation, and accountability of all IDEA Public Schools charter schools, regardless of whether the Board delegates any of its powers or duties.

19 Tex. Admin. Code § 100.1101(d).

d) Nondelegable Duties

Absent specifically approved exceptions granted by the Commissioner of Education, the Board shall not delegate the following duties:

- (1) Final authority to hear or decide employee grievances, citizen complaints, or parental concerns;
- (2) Final authority to adopt or amend the IDEA Public Schools budget, or to authorize the expenditure or obligation of state funds or the use of public property;
- (3) Final authority to direct the disposition or safekeeping of public records, except that the Board may delegate this function to any person, subject to the Board's superior right of immediate access to, control over, and possession of such records;
- (4) Final authority to adopt policies governing IDEA Public Schools operations;
- (5) Final authority to approve audit reports under TEC, §44.008(d); and
- (6) Initial or final authority to select, employ, direct, evaluate, renew, non-renew, terminate, or set compensation for the CEO/Superintendent or, as applicable, the administrator serving as the educational leader and chief executive officer.

19 Tex. Admin. Code § 100.1033(b)(14)(C).

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, being the Secretary of the Corporation, hereby certifies that the foregoing represents a true copy of a Board Policy adopted by the Directors of the Corporation on May 1, 2020, which Policy is in full force and effect and has not been revoked or amended.

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Ryan Vaughan	
Ryan Vaughan, Secretary	
5/7/2020	
Date	

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